

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Christian Clauss et al.

U.S. National Stage Application of PCT/IB2003/005110, filed on October 24, 2003,
which claims priority to French Application No.: 0213483, filed October 28, 2002.

Attorney Docket: MCA-615 US

For: A Reception Head For A Filter Unit

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Mail Stop PCT
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed on even date herewith, in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

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Please amend the application as follows: